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## ISTL Milestones



## 2003 National Elections

Produced largest biometric voter's register in Africa. Approx. 69 million applications

## 2007-to date

Signed PPP agreement with FG to implement end-to-end passport solution

Registration of FG Employees for National Health Insurance Scheme



Late 80's/Early 90's $1^{\text {st }}$ 'real time' on-line and one-branch banking solution in Nigeria

# The last decade of the <br> Nigerian passports history 

远全

## Pre 2007

- Decentralised operation with no central control and central database
- Multiple identities/issuance
- Human intervention
- No means of verification



## Pre 2007

- Though MRP booklet was ICAO compliant
- Production by several suppliers
o Lack of consistency in colour and quality control
- Duplicate booklet numbering
- No booklet control
- Bio and visa pages susceptible to manipulation
- Passport booklets had little international credibility


## 2003-2007

In 2003 Iris Smart Technologies Limited signed an agreement with the Nigerian Government for a solution providing:

- A new issuance processes with central control
- New identity management considerations
- ePassport with ICAO compliant chip that stores holders' biometrics( face and fingerprints) and bio data.
- Chip enables passport booklet validation and verification of the holder
- Financing



## Post 2007

- Decentralised acquisition \& personalisation
- Centralised system including:
- Database
- Identity management
- Approval (AFIS)
- Deduplicating (AFIS)
- PKI
- Inventory control
- Verification
- VPN/VSAT/Telcos



## System Architecture



| $\begin{aligned} & \text { PRE } \\ & 2007 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2007- \\ & 2017 \end{aligned}$ | - ICAO compliant epassport booklet, with compliance with basic and features |  |
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|  |  | ICAO Specification (Basic Features) | Current Booklet |
|  |  | Security Paper | Compliant |
|  |  | Security Printing | Compliant |
|  |  | Numbering | Complaint |
|  |  | Personalization | Compliant |
|  |  | Whole Page Substitution | Compliant |

Status today:

- ePassport that is ICAO compliant
- Secure issuance processes and systems with traceability and accountability
- Identity deduplication using AFIS
- Financial success for the Nigeria Government
- An average of 1.2 million booklets issued annually
- Over 9 million booklets issued to date


## Future

- Continuous reviews and upgrades against fraud and cyber crime
- Harmonisation with NIMC to keep improving identity management
- Full 4-4-2 fingerprint implementation
- Increased footprint;
- 42 local and 41 foreign branches
- Migrate to SAC


# Thank You 



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